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SUBJ: GOP AND TEACHER UNION (SUTEP) REACH APPARENT COMPROMISE

REF: LIMA A-166 OF JULY 15, 1974

1. A DELEGATION FROM THE MILITANT AND UNTIL RECENTLY ANTI-MILGOV TEACHERS UNION (SUTEP), LED BY SECGEN HORACIO ZEBALLES GAMEZ, MET WITH PRESIDENT VELASCO AUGUST 5. THE RESULTS OF THE FOUR-HOUR ENCOUNTER DEMONSTRATE AN EFFORT BY BOTH GOP AND TEACHERS TO COMPROMISE IN SEARCH FOR A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIP.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS, PRESIDENT VELASCO AGREED THAT THOSE TEACHERS DISCIPLINED FOR LAST OCTOBER'S VIOLENT DISTURBANCES WOULD BE RETURNED TO THEIR JOBS WITH PAYMENT OF LOST WAGES. VELASCO ALSO AGREED TO CONSIDER OFFERING JURIDICAL STATUS TO SUTEP AS ONE OF THREE REPRESENTATIVE UNIONS IN THE TEACHING SECTOR (IN FACT SUTEP REPRESENTS 75 TO 80 PERCENT OF TEACHERS). ANOTHER POINT DISCUSSED WAS A SUTEP REQUEST FOR MAJOR SALARY INCREASES. VELASCO REPORTEDLY AGREED TO TAKE THE REQUEST INTO CONSIDERATION BUT ONLY AS PART OF THE FORTHCOMING EDUCATION REFORM (LEY MAGISTERIAL). A FINAL POINT OF DISCUSSION REVEALED BY SUTEP HEAD ZEBALLOS IN PRESS STATEMENT WAS SUTEP REQUEST FOR COMPLETE REORGANIZATION OF THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND DISMISSAL OF CORRUPT OFFICIALS.

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3. FOLLOWING THE MEETING THE TEACHERS' UNION EXPRESSED FULL

SATISFACTION WITH THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED GOVERNMENT-UNION
DIALOGUE.

4. COMMENT: THE AUGUST 5 ENCOUNTER, WHICH IS PURPORTEDLY TO BE
FOLLOWED BY MONTHLY MEETINGS BETWEEN SUTEP OFFICIALS AND
PRESIDENT VELASCO, IS SIGNIFICANT INsofar AS IT REPRESENTS
A COMPROMISE FOR BOTH GOP AND SUTEP. THE GOP GAINS FOR THE
FIRST TIME OPEN SUPPORT FROM SUTEP'S MILITANT, POLITICALLY
VOLATILE LEADERSHIP WHILE THE TEACHERS ACQUIRE BOTH IMMEDIATE
BENEFITS (RESTITUTION TO JOBS OF DISCIPLINED
TEACHERS) AS WELL AS A HOPE FOR SALARY INCREASES, FAVORABLE
CHANGES IN MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, AND LEGAL RECOGNITION FOR
SUTEP. IF SUCCESSFUL, THE REVOLUTION WILL HAVE CO-OPTED ONE
OF THE LARGEST LABOR GROUPS WHICH ONLY LAST OCTOBER WAS
CALLING FOR THE OVERTHROW OF VALASCO "FASCISM" AND PRECIPITATED
RIOTS IN SOUTHERN PERU WHICH LED TO BLOODSHED AND ARMY INTER-
VENTION. DEVELOPMENT OF TRUE SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP IS,
HOWEVER, FRAUGHT WITH DIFFICULTIES. FOR EXAMPLE, GOP FAILURE
TO COME THROUGH WITH TEACHERS SALARY INCREASE IN NEAR FUTURE
WILL INEVITABLY HEIGHTEN TENSION IN THAT GROUP. AT SAME TIME
A GOP EFFORT TO BRAKE INFLATION MAY MAKE IT ECONOMICALLY
AND POLITICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO FAVOR TEACHER SECTOR OVER
OTHER GROUPS.

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